ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 6, 2019

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: By the end of the week, 37 percent of the cotton crop had been defoliated compared to 45 percent last year, and 17 percent had been harvested compared with 25 percent last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Cotton conditions were rated mostly good to fair. Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly good to excellent, depending on location last week with harvest taking place on over three-fourths of the alfalfa acreage across the State. Pasture and range conditions were mostly rated poor to fair. In the north central part of the State, soil moisture has been rapidly depleting and affecting forage growth. In the northwestern part of the State, heavy rains affected the region, but they were not enough to improve drought conditions.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS						
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Cotton						
Defoliated	37	30	45	39		
Harvested	17	15	25	21		

NA – not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION					
	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average	
Days suitable for fieldwork	7.0	5.8	5.6	6.7	
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Very short				1	
Short	21	25	4	19	
Adequate	79	70	90	76	
Surplus		5	6	4	
Subsoil moisture					
Very short				5	
Short	20	26	5	16	
Adequate	80	71	89	76	

NA - not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay	•	* '	* /	
Very poor		7		3
Poor	6	6	2	2
Fair	15	20	17	19
Good	56	52	56	45
Excellent	23	15	25	31
Cotton				
Very poor			1	3
Poor	9	12	10	4
Fair	30	39	32	17
Good	50	41	47	50
Excellent	11	8	10	26
Pasture and range				
Very poor	13	9	32	14
Poor	40	43	36	15
Fair	29	31	15	31
Good	18	17	10	33
Excellent			7	7

NA – not available

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